EXHIBIT 7 PSB'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA IN THE COURT OF

COMMON PLEAS

COUNTY OF HAMPTON

FOR THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

MICHAEL "TONY" SATTERFIELD

AND BRIAN HARRIOTT,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

Case No.

2021-CP-25-00298

RICHARD ALEXANDER "ALEX" MURDAUGH, PALMETTO STATE BANK,) COREY FLEMING, AND MOSS, KUHN) & FLEMING, P.A.,

Defendants.

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1	that day.
2	Q •n on December 19th
3	A Yes.
4	Q you heard the word "Forge"?
5	A Yes, because they said they were sending
6	the money for the boys to Forge.
7	Q Who said that?
8	A Cory.
9	Q And did you ask, "What is Forge?"
10	A I did.
11	Q And what d id they say?
12	A It was an annuity investor or a structured
13	settlement, what I found out later. But basically
14	what I understood that day was it was an annuity
15	financial company.
16	Q Right.
17	A I had never heard of it before that. I
18	didn't know what that was.
19	Q Okay. And one of the things I'm curious
20	about is: Did Judge Mullen approve that there was
21	going to be a structure to Forge?
22	A Not that I'm aware of.
23	Q But she but there was discussion in
24	front of her
25	A Yes.

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1	Q that there was going to be a structure?
2	A I guess. I mean, yeah. I mean, I was
3	sitting there in her chambers and we discussed.
4	That was the first time I heard "Forge."
5	Q What was the structure supposed to be?
6	A I have no idea.
7	Q What was the structure supposed to be for
8	Tony?
9	A I don't know.
10	Q What was the structure supposed to be for
11	Brian?
12	A I don't know.
13	Q Well, you saw checks going to Forge.
14	A I did not.
15	Q At various times, did you not
16	A I di d not see those.
17	Q You never saw any checks going to Forge?
18	A I never saw a check going to Forge.
19	Q But if a structure was being we're told
20	that you were brought on because Alec told Tony that
21	there were going to be business issues with some
22	settlements coming in, and it would be better for
23	somebody like you, Mr. Westendorf, who has a
24	business background, to handle that.
25	Is that something that you remember
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1	hearing?
2	A No, sir.
3	Q Did you ever ask why I'm coming onboard
4	and why Tony is going out?
5	A I did not.
6	Q •kay. So when you heard "Forge," did you
7	not say to yourself, "Hey, what structure is going
8	to be there's two boys here. Is there a
9	structure for one and not the other, or both?" Did
10	you ever ask that?
11	A I did not.
12	Q Did anybody ever tell you, on
13	December 18th, that one of your heirs that
14	represent that was an heir of the estate, was a
15	vulnerable adult?
16	A On the 19th, they did.
17	Q Who told you?
18	A Alec mentioned that.
19	Q To whom? Judge Mullen?
20	A The conversation in there that day.
21	Q What did he say?
22	A He said that like you said, he was a
23	I don't know. I can't remember exact words, so I
24	don't want to say, but he made it aware that he had
25	special needs.